REMARKS

By this Amendment, claims 1-4, 8-9, 15-21 and 24-25 are amended, and claim 15 is cancelled. Claim 10 remains in the application. Further, non-elected claims 5-7, 11-14, 22-23 and 26-30 are cancelled. Thus, claims 1-4, 8-10, 15-21 and 24-25 are active in the application. Reexamination and reconsideration of the application are respectfully requested.

The specification and abstract have been carefully reviewed and revised in order to correct grammatical and idiomatic errors in order to aid the Examiner in further consideration of the application. The amendments to the specification and abstract are incorporated in the attached substitute specification and abstract. No new matter has been added.

Also attached hereto is a marked-up version of the substitute specification and abstract illustrating the changes made to the original specification and abstract.

The Applicants thank the Examiner for kindly indicating, in item 5 on page 7 of the Office Action, that claims 15-21 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form to include all the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Original claim 15 depended from original claim 1. Claim 1 has been amended to include the limitations recited in original claim 15. Claims 2-4, 8-10 and 15-21 either depend directly or indirectly from claim 1 or have been amended to depend directly or indirectly from amended claim 1.

Accordingly, in view of the Examiner's assertion that claim 15 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form to include all the limitations of its base claim and any intervening claims, the Applicants respectfully submit that claim 1, as well as claims 2-4, 8-10 and 15-21 which depend therefrom, are clearly in condition for allowance.

Claim 24 recites a display control device comprising a display unit and the display control device of amended claim 1. Accordingly, claim 24 recites the patentable subject matter of amended claim 1.

Therefore, the Applicants respectfully submit that claim 24, as well as claim 25 which depends therefrom, are also clearly in condition for allowance.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is clearly in condition for allowance. An early notice thereof is respectfully solicited.

If, after reviewing this Amendment, the Examiner feels there are any issues remaining which must be resolved before the application can be passed to issue, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned by telephone in order to resolve such issues.

Respectfully submitted,

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